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DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE TO TESTIFY AT SELECT COMMITTEE HEARING

Deputy Secretary of Defense Charles Duncan will appear before the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control to discuss DOD's new policy initiatives on drug abuse in the military at a hearing July 27, 1978 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2118 Rayburn House Office Building, announced Chairman Lester L. Wolff (D-N.Y.).

The hearing follows a meeting June 20 between Chairman Wolff; Glenn English (D-Okla.), Chairman of the Committee's Task Force on Drug Abuse in the Military; and President Carter on the Committee's recent findings that the drug problem, particularly in Germany, is more acute than initially believed.

The President promised to work with Secretary of Defense Harold Brown to devise more effective methods of identifying and discouraging drug abuse among those individuals charged with the defense of the nation.

In addition to the drug abuse control plans initiated by Secretary Brown, Mr. Duncan is expected to discuss any action resulting from the President's recent trip to Germany.

"The Committee will pursue with great interest DOD's proposed plans to rectify internal management problems identified by the Committee during its previous hearing with the Department on April 27, 1978," said Congressman English.

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